

Joining The Non Muslim Army & Police Force

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The Oppressive Ruler (Explaining Al-Kabaa'ir Of Imaam Adh-Dhahabee)
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The Messenger Of Allaah (sallallaahu alayhi wa sallam) said:

“Verily there are going to be at the end of time, leaders from the muslims, who are sinners and oppressive, whoever believes them in the lies that they tell and whoever helps them in their oppression against the people then that person is not from me and I am not from him, and that individual will not be able to drink from my fountain on the Day Of Standing.”

So with regards to the question: What is the ruling in Islam of my son joining the non-muslim army and police force?

The Messenger of Allaah (sallallaahu alyhi wa sallam) here (in the above hadeeth) is talking about the leaders of the Muslims who are sinners and oppressive – whoever helps them and believes in them then he will make a du’aa that: that person will not drink from his pool.

Now if it’s from the non-muslim army or police force then it makes more sense that it is a worse crime and the punishment is worse. So it’s not permissible to help them in their oppression. Not permissible.

So that’s a job that if a man is working in it he should get out of it as soon as possible. Do I say that he should go AWOL (absent without leave) and get into trouble? I don’t say that, but he should look for another job just like the man who works in a bank should look for another job...”

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